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AGENTS FOR THIS CHINA MAIL

## For Sale.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & CO.

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A LARGE ASSEMBLAGE OF  
AMERICAN COOKING & PARLOUR  
STOVES.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane,  
London Street. GEORGE STREET, 30,  
Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate  
Circus. E. C. BATES, HENRY & CO.,  
Old Jewry. E. C. SAMUEL DRAGON &  
CO., 160 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE ROSEN,  
10, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

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Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW  
ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Mil-  
down and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports  
generally.—BROWN & BLACK, San Fran-  
cisco.

SINGAPORE AND STRAITS.—HAYES &  
CO., Square, Singapore. C. HEINZEN  
& CO., Manila.

CHINA.—SOCIETY, CAMPBELL & CO.,  
Amoy; WILSON, NICHOLS & CO.,  
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& WALSH, Yokohama; LANE, CRAW-  
FORD & CO.

## Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital,.....5,000,000 Dollars.  
Reserve Fund,.....650,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. HOPPIUS, Esq.

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Bank.

## HONGKONG.

### INTEREST ALLOWED.

OUR Current Deposit Account at the rate  
of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily  
balance.

For Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.

" 8 , 4 per cent. "

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LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities,  
and every description of Banking and  
Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the  
chief Commercial places in Europe, India,  
Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, August 16, 1877.

## To Let.

TO LET.  
NOS. 4, and 5, PECHILI TERRACE, ELGIN  
STREET.

Apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.  
Hongkong, July 30, 1877.

## TO LET.

HOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central,  
with Godowns attached.  
House Nos. 2 and 8, Pudding's Hill,  
"Blance Villa," Fok-fou-hum, Furnished.  
DAVID SASCOON, SONS & CO.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

## TO LET.

THE Dwelling House and Offices No. 1,  
Aquila Street, lately in the occupation  
of Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,  
Three Offices, in Club Chambers.  
apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.  
Hongkong, January 19, 1878.

## For Sale.

COAL.  
BEST QUALITY CARDIFF STEAM  
COAL for Sale, ex Godown.

Apply to BATTLES & CO.  
Hongkong, December 8, 1877.

## NOW READY.

CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE  
A CANTONESE DIALECT, Part I,  
A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo,  
pp. 202. By ERNEST JOHN EITZI, PhD.  
Tubingen.

Price: Two DOLLARS AND A HALF.  
To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD  
& CO., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs  
KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.  
Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

## Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

PARGELS EXPRESS AGENCY, in connection with  
WHEATLEY & CO., LONDON. Packages Received for  
transmission to Great Britain by each P. & O. Mail; Charges  
can be Collected either here or in England. The following  
particulars of Packages are required—Contents, Value, Address of  
Consignee, and whether Insurance be desired.

SPECIAL ORDER DEPARTMENT.—Orders Received and  
Promptly Executed, for Books, Scientific Instruments, and  
European Goods of any Description.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.,  
General Agents.

Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO  
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-third Ordinary Half-yearly  
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the Office  
of the Company, No. 50 A, Queen's Road, on  
FRIDAY, the 25th January instant; at  
3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of  
receiving a Report of the Directors, together  
with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a  
Dividend and electing a Director and  
Auditor.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
P. A. DA COSTA,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 2, 1878. ja25

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO  
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 12th to  
the 25th day of January instant, both days  
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
P. A. DA COSTA,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 2, 1878. ja25

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING  
of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at  
the Hotel on FRIDAY, the 25th January  
instant, at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the  
purpose of receiving a Report of the  
Directors together with a Statement of  
Accounts.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
LOUIS HAUSCHILD,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 4, 1878. ja25

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

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will be CLOSED from the 12th to  
the 25th day of January instant, both days  
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
LOUIS HAUSCHILD,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 4, 1878. ja25

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TENDERERS are invited for a LEASE of  
the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present  
Five-yearly Lease expiring on the 31st  
August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to be  
sent in on or before the 31st March,  
1878, to the Secretary of the Hongkong  
HOTEL COMPANY, Limited, who will supply  
all information required.

By Order of the Directors,  
LOUIS HAUSCHILD,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 18, 1877. ap1

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. W. C. EASTLACK will commence  
Practice in HONGKONG, on the 20th  
Instant.

Hongkong, January 15, 1878.

DR. ROGERS begs to say that he has  
RETURNED, and is now ready to  
receive Patients.

Hongkong, November 22, 1877. ap1

DENTAL NOTICE.

THE DEVOC MANUFACTURING CO.,  
80 Beaver and 127 Pearl Streets,

NEW YORK, U. S. A.

## Intimations.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE  
SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President.  
J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President.  
SAMUEL BROWNE, Secretary.

A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for  
China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,  
120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Assets ..... \$31,700,000

Surplus ..... \$ 5,500,000

THE Undersigned having been appointed  
Agents in Hongkong, China, for the  
above Company, are prepared to Accept  
Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon  
terms very favourable to the assured.

For full Information and particulars,  
apply to OLYPHANT & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINTH ORDINARY MEETING  
of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company  
will be held at the Company's Office,  
39, Queen's Road, Victoria, at Half-past  
2 o'clock in the Afternoon of FRIDAY,  
the 15th February next, for the purpose of  
receiving a Statement of Accounts and the  
Report of the Directors for the year ending  
31 December, 1877.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 15th  
February, both days inclusive.

By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 18, 1878. fe15

ESTATE OF DODD & CO.

AT the MEETING held on the 12th  
Instant at Messrs DODD & CO.'s  
OFFICES, the following RESOLUTIONS  
were carried:—

1. That the affairs of the said DODD  
& CO. shall be Liquidated by arrangement,  
and not in Bankruptcy.

2. That FRANCIS CHOMLEY be, and he  
is hereby appointed Trustee.

3. That H. ABENDROTH and EDMUND  
PRI be, and they are hereby appointed a  
Committee of Inspection.

All PAYMENTS on account of the  
Estate, it is requested, will be Paid to the  
order of the Undersigned.

F. CHOMLEY,  
Trustee for the Estate of  
DODD & CO.

Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"VOLGA,"

Comd. ROLLAND, will be  
despatched for YOKOHAMA  
shortly after the arrival of the next French  
Mail.

H. DU POUY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, January 18, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"YANGTSE,"

Comd. RAPATEL, will be  
despatched for SHANGHAI  
shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POUY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, January 18, 1878.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR HAMBURG (DIRECT).

The A 1 German Bark  
"JURGEN,"

WENDT, Master, will load here  
and meet with quick despatch  
as above.

For Freight, apply to

SIEMSSEN & CO.

Hongkong, December 23, 1877.

FOR LONDON.

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## Notices to Consignees.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "OCEANIC," from San Francisco, &c., are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

G. B. EMORY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, January 18, 1878. ja25

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. "Galley of Lorne" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Yokohama, unless notice be given before Noon To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 28th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co.,  
Agents, S. S. "Galley of Lorne."

Hongkong, January 21, 1878. ja28

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Norwegian Bark "VEGA," Nordvedt, Master, from HAMBURG, are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for immediate delivery of their Goods from the Vessel.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

WIL PUSTAU & Co.,  
Agents,

Hongkong, January 8, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. H. POUEY,  
Agent.

Ex "Sind."

Mr G. K. Harman, 1 case Cricketing  
H.M.S. Mosquito, Goods, from London.  
Hongkong, January 17, 1878.

## Intimations.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
IN LIQUIDATION.

A SECOND RETURN of CAPITAL at the Rate of FIVE TAELS per SHARE will be made to Shareholders of record on the 1st October. Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on the 8th Inst.

Warrants will be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders or their lawful representatives on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 8th Instant, inclusive.

By Order,  
RUSSELL & Co.,  
Liquidators.

Shanghai, October 2, 1878.

Volume Sixth of the  
"CHINA REVIEW."

## Now Ready.

No. III.—Vol. VI.  
—OF THE—

CHINA REVIEW  
CONTAINS—

Imperial Confucianism.

A Visit to the Country of Gentlemen.

The Rhymes of the Shing-ku.

Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-ming.

The Tang Kon Chi.

Geographical Notes on the Province of

Kwangsi.

Translations of Chinese School-books.

Short Notices of New Books and Literary

Intellect, &c.

On Silk-worm Oaks.

Native Literature on Chinese Porcelain.

A Chinese Advertisement.

Studies of Words.

Distillation in China.

A Chinese Coin.

The Detest of Gob.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office,

Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

## To-day's Advertisements.

FOR BRISBANE, SYDNEY, AND  
MELBOURNE.

(Calling at the usual Australian Coast Ports.)

The Eastern and Australasian Mail Steam Co.'s Str.

"BOVENS"

Will be despatched from SINGAPORE for BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, (calling at the usual Australian Coast Ports), on the 6th Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to the Undersigned, who are prepared to grant through Bills of Lading.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878.

## To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.

The Steamship "DOUGLAS,"

Captain G. D. FITZMAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 27th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja27

FOR MANILA.

The Spanish Steamer "MARIELES,"

Munro, Master, will be despatched as above on MONDAY Next, the 28th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja28

GERMAN BARQUE INDIA,  
FROM HAMBURG.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja26

## NOTICE.

ANY CLAIMS against the German barque "NIAGARA," must be sent in to the Undersigned before Noon on SATURDAY, the 26th Instant, or they will not be recognized.

MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja26

NORWEGIAN BARK "VEGA."

TENDERS WANTED for DOCKING the above Vessel, for STRIPPING her Bottom, and for CAULKING, also for new YELLOW METAL SHEATHING.

Applications are to be made up to TOMORROW, the 24th Instant, 4 p.m., on Board with Capt. NORDVEDT; and, or with

Wm. PUSTAU & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 24, 1878. ja24

## Charters Effected.

The following charters have been effected during the last few days:—

Danish bark Assens, 250, hence to Dunkirk, £1.15 per ton of 60 ft.

French bark Sophie D., 758, Ilo Ilo to Channel for orders to a port in the United Kingdom or to New York or Boston, private.

German bark Ferdinand, 418, Chefoo to Swatow 19 cents per picul, or to Amoy for orders 21 cents per picul, 20 lay days.

German bark Coreo, 420, Chefoo to Swatow 19 cents per picul or to Amoy for orders 21 cents per picul, 20 lay days.

German bark Helene, 372, hence to Chefoo and back 24 cents per picul, 25 lay days.

German bark Humboldt, 830, Shanghai to Tientsin and back to Swatow via Newchwang 60 cents per picul, 65 lay days.

American bark Ada Wiswell, 550, Saigon to Callao, £1.50 in full.

British steamer Charlton, Haiphong to Hongkong, private.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja27

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

FORMOSA, German 8-m. schooner, Capt. Schweier.—Melchers & Co.

VESTA, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks.—Melchers & Co.

ADELINA & MARIANNE, German barque, Captain C. N. Dahl.—Wm. Pustau & Co.

QUICKSTER, American barque, Captain Barnaby.—Captain.

TARTAR, German brig, Captain Kaemena.—Melchers & Co.

MARIA, British steamer, Capt. J. H. Broker.—Siemens & Co.

ABERNETHY, British barque, Captain Congoona.—Order.

ZANZIBAR, British steamer, Captain Gardner Fox.—Captain.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja27

## SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 23, Douglas, British steamer, 864,

Pitman, Foochow Jan. 20, Amoy 21, and

Swatow 22, General—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK

& Co.

Jan. 23, Hot Chang Ching, Chinese R. C.,

from Canton.

Jan. 23, Hoching, Chinese steamer, from

Canton.

Jan. 23, Gatherer, American ship, 1805,

J. A. Thomson, Cardiff Sept. 8, Coal—

O. & O. S. B. Co.

Jan. 23, Norma, British steamer, 606,

Walker, Swatow Jan. 22, General—KWOI

Aukton.

Jan. 23, Alice M. Minott, American ship,

1100, F. D. Whitmore, Yokohama Dec. 29,

Ballast.—OBSESSE.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 23, Tientsin, for Canton.

23, Viscount MacDuff, for Trieste.

23, Clara, for Swatow.

23, Marlo, for Saigon.

23, Mandora, for Singapore.

23, Nautilus, Ger. g.b., for Singapore.

CLEARED.

Oneida, for Hamburg.

Galley of Lorne, for Yokohama.

Hoching, for Shanghai.

Humboldt, for Shanghai.

Ferdinand, for Chefoo.

Julia A. Brown, for Guam.

Hongkong, January 19, 1878.

## PASSENGERS.

Arrived.

Per Douglas, from Coast Ports, Messrs Blashford, Goldsmith, Pike, Moran, Olney, Rashleigh, MacIntosh, Mr and Mrs Wiley and child, Miss S. Woolston, Miss H. B. Woolston, Mrs Lang and child, 5 Europeans, and 128 Chinese.

Per Norma, from Swatow, 220 Chinese.

To DEPART.

Per Marco, for Saigon, 110 Chinese.

To DEPART.

board the Tung On boat. As he was not known to the Police before, he was now sent to nine months' hard labour.

## SHOP LIFTING.

*Regina v. Choi Amling.*  
The prisoner was arraigned on a charge of stealing a diamond ring, value \$100, the property of Lo Amling, of the Chai Nam Jeweller's shop, on the 2nd January last.

The prisoner and another man went to the shop to bargain for the purchase of some gold rings. A number was shown him, but he disapproved of them, and asked a diamond ring to be shown him. One was taken out, worth \$100, and placed on the counter. At this moment two foreigners came into the shop and the prisoner suddenly left. It was then discovered that a diamond ring was lost and the prisoner was overtaken. At the station, he was searched but nothing was found on him. When he was sent to Gaol on remand, a further search was made, and the ring was found concealed in his trousers.

Sentence deferred. Later in the day the prisoner was sent to 18 months' hard labour.

## LARCENY.

*Regina v. James Welsh.*  
The prisoner was indicted for stealing a purse containing \$3, the property of a coloured man named Charles Smith, on the 28th December, 1877. The prisoner and the coloured man went into a house of ill-fame, and it was there the money was taken. The prisoner did not deny that he took \$3, but he did so for the purpose of taking care of it for the man who was drunk.

The Attorney General said there was certainly a curious fact that the prisoner did not appear to be in want of money, as he had a quantity of him, besides a promissory note for \$250, \$75 of which he had got repaid on account. The question here was whether he took the money with a felonious intent or not.

The prosecutor had gone away since the committal, and his evidence before the Magistrate was put in.

The Jury returned a verdict of not guilty, and the prisoner was discharged.

## LARCENY FROM THE PERSON.

*Regina v. Lee A-njou.*  
The prisoner was charged with stealing an ear-ring from a woman in the street, but the evidence was not sufficient, and the prisoner was acquitted.

## LARCENY.

*Regina v. Lee Ahing.*  
The prisoner was found guilty of stealing an empty barrel from Messrs Blackhead & Co. on the 4th January. He was sent to four months' hard labour; there being only one previous conviction against him.

## LARCENY &amp;c.

*Regina v. Chin Asik.*  
The prisoner was found guilty of stealing one pair of old shoes on the 4th inst. He has had five previous convictions against him, and he was now sent to four years' hard labour.

The Sessions were then adjourned till to-morrow at 10 a.m.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL".  
Hongkong, Jan. 22, 1878.  
Sir.—The pleasure of an "Anglo-American" asking for religious equality and bewailing the miseries of his lot as one of the minority is ludicrous in the extreme.

The party he represents have had the education of the masses in their own hands ever since the Reformation. The educational endowments of England have been practically at their disposal. Their ecclesiastical organization reached every town and village in England and Ireland. Money, influence, and legislation, were all at their disposal, and what came of it all? In the year 1870, the English Government was compelled to come to the rescue. The English people were practically untutored.

Presbyterian Scotland taught her children well and thoroughly. The public schools of America were the pride of the United States and the envy of England.

England, the land of bibles and churches, was permitting her children to grow up in ignorance and darkness.

The English Government took the matter up in good earnest.

It did not establish a supplementary scheme, but laid the foundation of a system of national education.

It intended to compel the children to attend school for a certain number of days during each year, but it did not, it dared not, undertake to compel those children to receive religious instruction. It found the former task great enough for all its energies.

The Act placed no hindrance in the way of religious teaching—it dealt with secular education only—but as a matter of fact, the Board School-rooms in England are largely used for religious purposes after the school work is over, and the children are taught both religiously and secularly.

I have no inclination to follow "Anglo-American" in his onslaught on Nonconformists in general, and Hongkong Nonconformists, in particular. His letter needs no further consideration.

I am, Sir, yours truly,

J. C. E.

## China.

## (News.)

American newspapers received by the last mail contain the nomination of Mr. D. H. Bailey, who for many years has been United States Consul at Hongkong, for the Consul-Generalship of Shanghai; and from the same source we learn that the Hon. G. Wiley Wells, who has been officiating here during the suspension of Mr. J. C. Myers, is nominated as Mr. Bailey's successor. We understand that up to noon yesterday no official notice of these nominations had been received here, but we are enabled to state that, taking time by the forelock as it were, Mr. Wells has telegraphed to Washington declining the Hongkong appointment, and that he now awaits the course of events until the departure of the *Nagoya Maru* on Sunday next. In case he receives no answer by that time, we understand that it is his intention to return to America. Mr. Bailey is now at Washington on leave. His nomination as Consul-General here leads us to suppose that Mr. Myers has either resigned the position of Consul-General, or that his suspension by the Hon. G. F. Seward has been confirmed.

## (Courier.)

The news of Mr. Goodwin's death was telegraphed yesterday to Lord Derby, and

he replied by telegraph to Mr. Mayot immediately, "I have received with much regret the news of Mr. Goodwin's death. Express my sincere sympathy to Mrs. Goodwin."

## FOODSTUFFS.

(Herald, Jan. 17th.)

*On dit*—that the Manuf. Arsenal has in great part suspended its operations owing to a scarcity of the sinews of war! This useful establishment is, we believe, almost entirely dependent, on the port duties and *lemon* exactions: consequently, the cessation of Tea shipments is a serious blow to this reputed Imperial institution.

On a former occasion we alluded at some length to the persistent endeavours made by the local gentry (aided and abetted by native officials) to prevent foreigners from acquiring land either within the city walls or suburbs. The following is a translated copy of a notice out in extremely large characters (painted red to give them greater prominence) on a road close to the British Consulate at Wu Shih-shan.

"As the Fang Shuey of the entire City is constantly dependent [lit., having relation to] on the subtle geomantic influence of this hill, [lit., the dragon's pulse of this hill] (therefore) the public prohibit in future, the sale or renting of land to foreigners (either) on the top or at the bottom of the hill. Should any disobey, the public will determine (the measure of punishment)."

"Engraved on this stone in the 7th moon of the 3rd year of the reign of Kwong Su." It must be understood that this inscription is within almost stone's throw of the British Consul's residence on the top of Wu Shih-shan; that the City authorities must be perfectly well aware of its existence; that the English Church Mission is possessed of legally acquired ground in the vicinity, and that any foreigner is entitled by treaty to purchase land in the neighbourhood at rates prevailing amongst the natives. But that this right is systematically denied by the Chinese authorities is beyond any question. It is proved at this moment by the fact that certain lessors and a broker engaged in the transfer of a building site in this Settlement to an American citizen, are lodged in prison, undergoing the most severe punishment, and it is even rumoured among the natives that the unhappy men are doomed to decapitation.

## Japan.

## (Gazette.)

We are informed by our Osaka correspondent that, from the end of next month, only two foreigners will remain in the mint, viz. the Assayer and an Engineer.

Constable Hazel met with a severe handling on Saturday night from two sailors belonging to the American gun-boat *Alert*. It appears that these two men formed part of a boat's crew to bring an officer ashore, and while the boat was waiting at the habora for the return of the officer they thought it a good opportunity for a run. They started but forgot to return, and in a short time a warrant was issued, by request of the Captain of the *Alert*, to arrest the deserters. Constable Hazel proceeded to execute the warrant, and found the whereabouts of the men, who, on seeing him, speedily decamped. The constable observed the way they were running and took a short cut so as to intercept them, and came upon them unexpectedly in rounding a corner. One of the sailors was armed with a long oar, made a desperate blow at him. To guard his head Hazel raised his left arm and received the full force of the blow upon it, which at once fell helpless by his side. He then closed with his antagonist, grasping him by the throat. A second blow on the head, however, brought him to the ground, but he still retained his hold on the other's throat, who then called to his mate for a knife "to finish the officer with." The knife was procured and opened, when, fortunately for Mr. Hazel, some Japanese policemen arrived, and the ruffian broke away and fled. The native officers gave chase for a short time but did not succeed in capturing the runaway. The other man was arrested. It was at first thought that the constable's arm was broken, but a surgical examination proved that it was only severely bruised, though he has had an open wound on the head. This morning Sergeant Loxton proceeded on board the *Alert*, with a warrant for the arrest of the offender, and brought him on shore.

The present of a handsome pair of bronze flower-vases and a lacquered picture, has been made, through H. B. M. Consul, to Captain Kidley, in command of the O. & O. Steamer *Gaelic*. The occasion of the gift is that, in July last, on his passage hence to Hongkong, Captain Kidley was the means of rescuing from drowning the crew, composed of six persons, of a Loochoon junk, which had been wrecked in heavy weather. On the arrival of the steamer in Hongkong, the Captain handed his wafts over to the charge of Mr. Ando Taro, Japanese Consul at that port, by whose agency they were returned to their own country. Owing to his favourable report of Captain Kidley's kindness, the above mentioned recognition has been made and the thanks of the Japanese Government conveyed to the O. & O. Company to which the *Gaelic* belongs.

## AMERICAN ITEMS.

Lieutenant Franklin, of the U. S. Navy, was married last evening to Miss Ross, of this city, and the newly-made couple left immediately for San Francisco, en route for China, where he has been ordered to duty.

Washington, Dec. 18.—D. O. Mills called on the President and Secretary of State, yesterday, in regard to the Chinese problem in California. He claimed that a great deal of misrepresentation had been indulged in; that many of the reports of bad conduct of Chinamen were entirely unfounded; that their presence and labor are not injurious, but, on the contrary, are a great benefit to the Pacific Coast; and that the United States Government is in duty bound to see that they are protected in the enjoyment of the rights guaranteed by our treaty with China. It appears that he came here for the express purpose of making these arguments before the Administration in regard to any of the questions involved. The matter is, however, very likely to come up for further Cabinet discussion sooner than Evans contemplated. The Attorney-General will undoubtedly report that there is no precedent for interference by the General Government to suppress or prevent assaults upon individual rights within State limits, unless such interposition and assistance be requested by the State authorities. The

question, whether any such action can be constitutionally undertaken in order to enforce treaty stipulations, has never before been directly presented; but there seems to be no doubt of a decision in the negative, regardless of the fact that the nation at large would be morally liable for the consequences which might ensue from treaty infractions.

The following letter has been addressed to the President by Representative Page, under date of the 18th:

I desire to call your attention to the question of Chinese immigration; which is now, and has been for some years past, agitating the people of California. I would respectfully ask that you give the subject such consideration as your valuable time will permit. You are doubtless aware that there are now in the State of California more than 150,000 of these people, about one-fifth of whom are females, brought here for immoral purposes, and are now held and owned as slaves. The remaining four-fifths are males equal in number to the voting population of the State, and are, with few exceptions, coolies or slaves, brought here under contract for service purposes. Many of these come from Hongkong, an English port, under the Treaty with China of 1868. That you may more fully understand this matter, I send you, accompanying this letter, a report of the Senate Committee, made at the last session of the State Legislature, on this subject. I also call your attention to a report of a Joint Special Committee of the Senate, known as Senate Document No. 689. I desire still further to state that in California there is no division of opinion as to the evils of Chinese immigration, and I therefore, on behalf of the people of that State, very respectfully suggest that you make this matter the subject of a special message to Congress when it convenes in January next. Perhaps I ought to add that the condition of affairs in the city of San Francisco for the past few months has occasioned alarm throughout the State, and while it is true that some irresponsible persons, encouraged by a disreputable newspaper, are endeavoring to incite a riot, which would be disastrous to the State, the better portion of the community, aided by the respectable and responsible press, is endeavoring to suppress anything like violence, and confidently appeal to the executive and legislative powers of the Government for relief. I cannot, in this brief communication, go further than I have done into the reasons for this request; but I have always believed that you are somewhat familiar with the dangers now threatening the people of California on account of this great evil. I close by asking your early and earnest attention to this subject, trusting that some plan may be devised to the end that negotiations may be entered into between our and the Chinese Government, which will satisfactorily settle this vexed question. I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your most obedient servant,

H. F. Page.

## LONDON GOSSIP.

## (Pioneer.)

London, Nov. 20th.

I should have much liked to witness the Duke of Norfolk's marriage on Wednesday, but I knew beforehand it would be vain to seek admission, and accordingly did not subject myself to repulse. A lady with whom Monsignor Capel frequently dines had asked him for a ticket to the Oratory on the occasion; but he assured her that not a single member of the ordinary congregation of the Oratory would be admitted, unless invited on the side either of the bride or bridegroom. A well-known artist, who is now painting, "by command," a picture of Princess Louise's wedding, told me that, being desirous of freshening his memory (with reference to the grouping of bridesmaids, I think) on some details, he applied to Father Antrobus, with whom he had some acquaintance, stating his wish and his object. Father Antrobus is an ordinary occasions despot on questions of seats and so forth, within the church. At first Father Antrobus said, "Oh, yes; there would be no difficulty in such a case," but on Tuesday he wrote to say that he had promised more than he was able to perform, and that his authority in the matter of admission was for the nonce quite superseded. I considered myself therefore fairly warned, and did not struggle for the impossible; but contented myself, like some thousands of other loafers, with a view of the return procession, from beneath an umbrella. I hope the Duke of Norfolk's marriage may be happy, I am sure; but if it is, no faith must be put in omens. "Blessed is the bride that the sun shines on," says the old superstition: it rained cats and dogs on the young Duchesses. Moreover, a cart ran into the carriage, in which the married pair were leaving the church, smashed one of the lamps, and did other damage, beside frightening the Duchesses out of her wits. But, worst of all, just before the marriage ceremony was over, and when people were expecting every moment the bridal party to issue forth, what should turn up but a most stupid funeral from the neighbouring West Brompton Cemetery! There were no fewer than seven mourning coaches with four horses each, besides a much larger number with two. It was impossible not to be struck by the curious coincidence; it looked like a rivalry in pomp and circumstance between the matrimonial and mortuary cavalcades. Whose this great funeral was I have not yet heard, but it must have been a fortune to the undertaker. My glimpse of the bride through the thick falling rain was so indistinct that I could derive no opinion of her appearance. I hope, however, that all the photographs in the shopwindows will her, or else Her Grace is both plain and common looking. Her casket, at any rate, has fine eyes. The catalogue of her wedding presents (oldfashioned jewellry) fills a quarter of a column of the *Times*, and will be well worth the attention of the gentry who have just cleared out Miss Marjoribanks! I beg her pardon, Lady Aberdeen—to the tune of five thousand pounds. Lady Aberdeen, you know, was only married last week; and the greater part of her wedding gifts have already gone into thieves' pockets. The discovery of the marauders will give a fine opportunity for some clever detectives (if Scotland Yard possesses any) to mount into the pieces vacated by Palmer, Melville, John, and Driscoll. Little doubt is entertained that the fop who has now robbed Lady Aberdeen is the same who a short time ago broke into Battle Abbey, and got rich loot from the Diocese of Cleveland. More valuable, however, even than the detection of the receiver, who makes it possible for thieves to turn their plunder into cash. By the bye, what a curious

thing *esprit de corps* is, even such partial *esprit de corps* as exists between barristers and attorneys! I heard two barristers yesterday quite agreeing that Frogatt was too heavily punished with two years hard labour. Now, most people consider a thief's lawyer as a much more noxious animal even than the thief himself. These lawyers, however, seemed to consider Frogatt's crime almost a virtue—as if it were only a too generous enthusiasm for his client. I ventured to hint that the enthusiasm was not disinterested—that it was enthusiasm for his fees. "Not at all!" exclaimed one of the barristers, half-laughing. "He would have his fees and costs in any case. He is engaged to defend a criminal, but not to commit rascality on his behalf. He commits the rascality afterwards from excess of honesty, so to say, in order the better to deserve his money by getting his client off."

"A legal adviser's first duty is to put his client off," added the other barrister. I said:—"It is lucky for the public that the judges don't think so." "Ah, but they do, until they get upon the bench," he retorted. "Then you will change your views when you get there!" I asked. "I suppose I shall, if I ever do," he returned laughing. I don't assume that these men desired to be taken quite seriously, but may a real motive and sincere opinion is betrayed jestingly.

There is a curious scare pervading London just now on the score of *osmico acid*. This is, it seems, beyond all approach the most terrible poison in the world, prepared from a newly discovered metal, *osmico*. I first heard of it a few nights ago from the lips of Dean Stanley, whom I met at dinner. I was sitting next but one to him on the same side of the table, and did not hear so well what he was saying, or learn much on the subject as I should have liked. Canon Duckworth also was there, looking very well; but I think a good deal older and more portly than he did in India. Speaking of *osmico acid*, Dean Stanley said to Duckworth across the table:—"Professor Rainforth assures me that a few drops poured on the floor of the chancery" (meaning of course Westminster Abbey) "would in two minutes or less make a clean sweep of the choir and chapter." Fortunately this poison is immensely difficult and costly in the preparation, and would be almost certainly fatal to the agent who should attempt its murderous application. Nevertheless, it is said that *osmico acid* is the weapon on which the more irreconcileable Fenians in America rely to meet the otherwise irresistible military strength of the British Government. Fenian subscriptions are applied to the accumulation, not of rifles and revolvers, but of *osmico acid*!

I was passing the Cabmen's Shelter in Piccadilly on the morning of the Duke of Norfolk's wedding. It was raining hard as I passed; a hansom-cabman said to me:—"Cab, Sir?" I replied:—"No, thank you." Before I was out of hearing, the man cried to a friend:—"I say, Jim, what a good thing it would be if they'd put down umbrellas by Act of Parliament." I could not help saying to myself, "Your *des orfeve, M. Josse!*" The only difference is, that railway men and cotton spinners can, and cabmen can't, direct legislation in the line of their private interests. Here is a true tale of an umbrella. The Lord Mayor's show was, as you know, just this day fortnight, and it was a shamefully wet day. A man of whom I know a little, from having met him at Sydney Hall's, was in the city on that day somewhere on the line of the procession. He was on the pavement, and had no little difficulty in keeping up his umbrella amid the pressure of the crowd. Indeed, when at one time there was something of a rush, the umbrella came to final grief. One of the points hooked itself into a man's collar; and on the owner lowering it in order to extricate it, the rough ne'er took a pleasure in crushing up against it with their bodies, so that the ribs of the umbrella snapped like dry twigs, and the whole thing was an irreparable wreck.

The gentleman, its owner, with the utmost good-temper, put the handle into the hand of the rough who had been the immediate agent of the mischief, with the words: "There, you may as well take it now." The man seemed taken aback, and rather ashamed of himself. He stammered out:—"I beg your pardon, sir; I'm very sorry," but the gentleman only replied:—"Oh, it can't be helped; but you may as well keep it," and left the rain in the bewildered fellow's hands. The gentleman drew back against the house, so as to let the crush pass him, but there was no rudeness. What chaff there was, was directed against the recipient of the umbrella:—"I say, Tom, don't be proud." "Well, you are a swell," says the old superstition: it rained cats and dogs on the young Duchesses. Moreover, a cart ran into the carriage, in which the married pair were leaving the church, smashed one of the lamps, and did other damage, beside frightening the Duchesses out of her wits. But, worst of all, just before the marriage ceremony was over, and when people were expecting every moment the bridal party to issue forth, what should turn up but a most stupid funeral from the neighbouring West Brompton Cemetery! There were no fewer than seven mourning coaches with four horses each, besides a much larger number with two. It was impossible not to be struck by the curious coincidence; it looked like a rivalry in pomp and circumstance between the matrimonial and mortuary cavalcades. Whose this great funeral was I have not yet heard, but it must have been a fortune to the undertaker. Now it was all right. His friend met him on the staircase, got some towels and a brush to rub him dry, and then introduced him to the host of the apartments, and several ladies and gentlemen who were there. There was a kind of running lunch going on, and it was all very pleasant. Among the ladies to whom he had spoken was a girl, by whose appearance he was very much taken at first sight. The impression must have been reciprocal, for I heard yesterday, at a house where I was taking afternoon tea, through the Lord Mayor's show took place only 13 days before, that that gentleman had already been engaged four days to young lady! I hear that the lady is exceedingly pretty, and, in a kind of way, an heiress—that is to say, she has a royal pedigree. Let her by her father in some "patent fuel," which royalty has still a few years to run. So that, on the whole, all appearance, the hero of my story made rather a gain of the loss of his umbrella.

I believe there is no doubt that the Secretary of State for War is about to cause a full and searching

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